

*Tuesday, May 5, 1998*

# *Daily Digest*

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Job Training Partnership Act.

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4223–S4378*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills were introduced as follows: S. 2031–2035. Page S4357

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 1618, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against “slamming” by telecommunications carriers, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–183)

S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–184) Page S4357

**Measures Passed:**

***Job Training Partnership Act:*** By 91 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 119), Senate passed H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, as previously amended. Pages S4252–S4349

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Enzi, Hutchison, Collins, Warner, McConnell, Kennedy, Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Murray, and Reed. Page S4349

***National Eating Disorders Awareness Day:*** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 197, designating May 6, 1998, as “National Eating Disorders Awareness Day” to heighten awareness and stress prevention of eating disorders, and the measure was then agreed to. Page S4375

**IRS Reform:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Pages S4237–47, S4251–52, S4351–53

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. Page S4351

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, May 6, 1998.

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Sudan; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–119). Pages S4353–54

Transmitting the report entitled “The State of Small Business”; referred to the Committee on Small Business. (PM–120). Pages S4354–56

Transmitting the report on the Pemigewasset River in New Hampshire; referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM–121). Page S4356

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Norman Y. Mineta, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term of six years. (New Position)

Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, vice Anita K. Jones, resigned.

Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, vice Albert J. Herberger, resigned. Pages S4377–78

**Messages From the President:** Pages S4353–56

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**Amendments Submitted:** Page S4366  
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**Authority for Committees:** Pages S4366–67  
**Additional Statements:** Pages S4367–75  
**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total–119) Page S4266

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:17 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 6, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4376.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AVIATION COMPETITION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the state of competition in the aviation industry, focusing on airline ticketing and related antitrust enforcement practices, after receiving testimony from Patrick V. Murphy, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation; Alfred Kahn, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; Darryl Jenkins, George Washington University, and Larry Darby, Darby Associates, both of Washington, D.C.; Borden Burr, All Seasons Travel Agency, Birmingham, Alabama; and Lauraday Kelley, Cruiselink, Hummelstown, Pennsylvania.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

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*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on AirLand Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

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*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

### PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management resumed hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from William H. Meadows and Mike Anderson, both of the Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.; and Todd True Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund, Seattle, Washington.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### D.C. STUDENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ACT

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the impact of S. 1502, District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act if enacted into law, after receiving testimony from Virginia Walden and Wesley Walker-Bey, both of Washington, D.C.

### CHILD SAFETY

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the progress over the last ten years of the National SAFE KIDS Campaign in the prevention of childhood injuries, after receiving testimony from Ann Brown, Chairman, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission; Ricardo Martinez, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; C.